

CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE:

Sunday Dial-A-Ride Service

MEETING DATE:

January 20, 1993

PREPARED BY:

Assistant City Manager

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the City Council approve Dial-A-Ride service on Sundays from 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. during the months

of February, March and April.

BACKGROUND:

The Dial-A-Ride program currently operates Monday through Saturday with no service on Sunday.

calls for service are averaging approximately 359

rides per weekday, and 141 rides per Saturday. The City recently held two public hearings to ascertain the City's unmet transit needs. Based on comments received by citizens attending the hearings, staff is recommending that we begin Dial-A-Ride Sunday service on a trial basis for February, March, and April.

Because Dial-A-Ride is not designed to shuttle large numbers of individuals to the same location and back, staff is recommending that we avoid the morning hours on Sundays to reduce the numbers of calls which might arise from churchgoers. Generally, churches have vans to assist those members who have The recommended hours of operation on Sundays is transportation limitations. 12:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. with three drivers (including one wheelchair van) and one dispatcher.

After three months of Sunday Dial-A-Ride service, it is recommended that staff evaluate the numbers of calls for service and determine if Dial-A-Ride should expand to 7 days a week.

FUNDING: Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funds

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